

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 1902

February 5, 2018

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the court hearing an adoption proceeding to suspend the proceeding, if putative father or established father is served with notice of the adoption, but waits until the day of the scheduled default hearing to contest the adoption proceeding. Requires the court to hold a hearing within 30 days of date scheduled for the adoption hearing to determine if there are grounds to terminate the parental rights of the father.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- No fiscal impact on the operations of the Department of Children's Services.
- Based on information provided by the Administrative Office of the Courts, any increase in the number of hearings mandated by this legislation would be absorbed within existing judicial resources.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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